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I am pleased that Tom is so interested in the building. He will send his report to me and I will report to the Committee. On Sunday the seventh I was awaked pre-9 A.M. by WSP and we went for a ride to Tunkhannock and Montrose: very nice. We returned about 3 P.M. and had chicken and at 5 P.M. I was at Derek Shaw's office in Scranton and he was giving me the final bits for III, 3 of NP. Wayne Truitt appeared with photographs of Lake Ariel that he was copying for Shaw. I didn't let on that I knew who he is, at least, I think I know who he is. Nor did I mention it to HLRP and WSP later on. I must do so however.

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WSP met me on Thursday at Martz, as usual. A roast chicken was awaiting us at home and we supped royally and off I went to the meeting. There was a good crowd there and the reason was the drawing was to take place and it did. DJB arrived late and before he arrived I was chatting with the group assembled. When Rev. and Mrs. Pullis arrived, we had the drawing and Mamie Martzen won and photographs were taken by the NEWS photographer of Pullis and Baum and the drawing. Then on to the other business at hand: DJB said that he had spoken with Zacher and that was interesting because so had I and I reported on my conversation with Philpott also and I made it clear to the group that Philpott had told me that CCH was placed on the Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Buildings (or is it "Places"). I then read the report from Tom Horlacher and that was a serious undertaking. Everyone listened very well and we discussed the report and I had extra copies and people were taking them eagerly to read in the private of their own homes and at the next meeting the effect of the report on the etat d'ame of the Committee will doubtless be made known. The report was excellent in that it provided both long and short term goals for the Committee. I reported on the 6-tons project of getting the manure from the tower and Mary Lou Dearie said that we deserved a lot of credit and everyone must be made aware of just what we are all doing for the building and for the city. She was very supportive and it was good to hear her voice here support; I asked the group as a whole who else should be thanked for things done for the Committee and she said that a letter should go to the High School on behalf of John Buberniak and that's a grand idea. I will do it and send a copy to the Guidance Counselor and to the Principal and probably a copy to his parents. The letter will be in his permanent file at the school. I brought up the topic of the fire chief's request that the bell in the tower be connected to the fire alarm system and Joe Burrell seemed to come alive at this time and he explained what it would require and that will have to be done. Nan Loftus was there from her three weeks in California and she was wearing hearts on her finger nails and was in a grand holiday mood and added a great sense of vitality and humor to the meeting. She started list ing names of people who should get involved in the project and DJB and I took the names down and I will get in touch with the persons in question and get them involved in one way or another. I spoke of the plans for Pioneer Days and asked for volunteers to help me plan the activities of an historical and educational nature that will take place during that week and many people volunteered. We also asked for volunteers to help install plywood on the floors of the tower around the stairs so that no one will go through the floor and John Revak volunteered and so did JVB. The meeting went on quite late and DJB said to me that he and I had a lot to talk about. I told him I would come by his office at about 4 P.M. on Friday and I did. After the meeting Bob Tomaine and I and Rob Lewis "caucused" at Mister Donut. We were joined by Tomaine's brother, Carl I think he is named, and he is also literate and urbane like his brother Bob and the whole coffee-drinking experience was very pleasant. Tomaine and I arranged to meet in Jermyn at Rossi's on Main Street at 9:30 A.M. on Sat. to drive to Scranton to talk to someone at WEJL about my appearing on their Action Line. Tomaine reported to me that the express mail letter/package that I sent him on Tuesday the 16th did not arrive in Carbondale until Thursday. The package contained a letter to Francis Hopkins (dated February 9, 1982) which Bob was going to hand to Hopkins at the Chamber of Commerce meeting on the 17th at noon at the Ben Mar. Alas the letter did not arrive in time. I also enclosed in the package, 40 letters to area businesses asking for a contribution and Tomaine